## **Chairman Jerome E. Horton**

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## **Board of Equalization Appoints Internal Audit Division Chief**

**Sacramento** – Chairman Jerome E. Horton of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE) announced the Board appointed Brock Wimberley as Internal Audit Division Chief at its January 15 meeting. Mr. Wimberley's appointment took effect immediately.

"Brock Wimberley has distinguished himself throughout his career as an administration and finance expert," said Chairman Horton. "We are pleased to congratulate Brock on his appointment and look forward to working with him in his new position."

Mr. Wimberley has worked for the BOE since 2010, serving as Acting Internal Audit Division Chief since February 2012. He held various positions in state and local government, including serving as Program Manager and Internal Auditor at the California Department of Food and Agriculture from 1998-2005. Brock received his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Finance from San Diego State University in 1995.

The Internal Audit Division performs continuous and systematic reviews of BOE operations and programs to ensure compliance with laws and regulations. The Internal Audit Division assists management in protecting BOE against fraud, waste, and abuse and ensures public accountability.

The Internal Audit Division Chief at BOE reports directly to Executive Director Cynthia Bridges.

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Elected in 2010, Chairman Jerome E. Horton is the Fourth District Member of the California State Board of Equalization, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the Board of Equalization's Legislative Committee Chairman. He is the first to serve on the Board of Equalization with over 21 years of experience at the BOE. Horton previously served as an Assembly Member of the California State Assembly from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board of Equalization collects more than \$53.7 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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